Drugs Manufacturing and Trading at Kandla FreePort Zone

3777. SHRI RAJNI RANJAN SAHU: Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Kandla Free Port Zone is today a centre of manufacture, import and export of unapproved new drugs and harmful drugs without approval of Drugs Controller (India);

(b) whether Drugs Controller (India) has created any machinery to assess and stop these violations; and

(c) if not, the reaons thereof and the extent to which these activities have damaged drug control of the country?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (KUMARI SAROJ KHAPARDE): (a) and (b) Permission for export of drugs not approved for marketing in India is granted by the Drugs Controller (India) on a case to case whether or not the manufacturer is in the Free Trade Zone, provided the drug has not been banned for marketing in India. Before permission to manufacture, for export only, formulations of drugs not approved for marketing the country is granted to any firm, it is ensured that (i) the firm is of repute and has a valid export order, (ii) the firm has a letter from the importing country indicating whether the drug has been cleared for use in the country and (iii) the drug is already in use in the number of developed countries.

(c) Does not arise.

Fast by non-teaching staff of Kendriya Vidyalaya, Ujjain

3778. SHRI SHARAD YADAV: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the non-teaching staff of the Kendriya Vidyalaya, Ujjain had launched an indefinite fast from 17th June, 1987;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) when and how it came to an end; and

(d) what action the Sangathan has taken against the accused persons?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRIMATI KRISHNA SAHI): (a) and (b) The non-teaching staff of Kendriya Vidyalaya, Ujjain went on fast from 17-6-1987. They had informed the Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan authorities that they would proceed on fast on account of the following reasons:—

(i) Non-release of eight days' salary withheld by the Principal of the Vidyalaya.

(ii) Irregularities in purchases during 1986-87.

(iii) Dictatorial, repressive and casteridden behaviour of the Principal.

(iv) Injustice meted out to the staff.

(v) A sense of insecurity felt by the staff.

(vi) Absence of opportunity to serve the Vidyalaya according to rules and regulations.

(vii) Non-payment of arrears.

(c) and (d) The matter was settled amicably at the intervention of Assistant Commissioner, Kendriya Vidyalaya Sangathan, Bhopal Region. The fast ended on 18-6-87 at 2.30 p.m.